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SUBJECT.

Sanctions the contribution subject to a maximum limit of 5,000/- for constructing the Corpn. attached to the Sreenivasmandira and connected charities, Bangalore City.

PREVIOUS REFERENCES	LATER REFERENCES
L R. 313-06-M2	455-11
L R 176-07-M2	
" 112-05	
" 709-03	
214-1900.	
Misc 16-1900.	
111-1906.	
191-1892	
168-1904.	

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(Miscellaneous)

NOTES.

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FILE HEADING.

Srinivasa Mandiram and the connected charities, Bangalore City.

From

Mr. A Gopalacharlu, Secretary and Founder of the charities.

No. ~~Application~~ Report Dated 20. 11 09 Received 22 11 09

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BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Reports on the administration of the charities during 1908-09.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

1. The Srinivasa Mandiram and charities comprise the following institutions :-

(1) Sri Byatarayaswami Temple, a Muzrai institution enjoying a cash grant of Rs 46-7-3 per mensem.

(2) An Oriental and Mixed library of English and

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Sanskrit works, for the benefit of which Rs 35/- are contributed by the Education Department and Rs 25 by the Bangalore City Municipality.

(3) An Orphanage for the maintenance of which a sum of Rs 50/- has been sanctioned from State Funds and Rs 20/- from the Educational Budget for 8 scholarships at Rs 2-8-0 per each orphan ~~scholar~~ student. Further 10 acres of land under the Chamaraj Nala Extension in the Yedatore Tk have been granted under Govt Pro: No. 3597-601/R 1173, dated 31st Oct. 1900, free of upset price, but subject to the payment of the prescribed Kandaya, for the benefit of the orphans.

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Tk No. 16 of 1900.

Vide Govt Pro: Nos 4463-8 and 5714-7 dated 19th September 1905 and 3rd May 1906 respectively.

S/ II & X

Printed copies put up

2 Mr. Gopalacharlu requests ~~that~~

(1) that he may be favoured with a reply from Govt, at least recording the report submitted by him.

(2) for an increase of Jodik to the temple.

(3) for aid towards the construction of a building to accommodate the orphans and their maintenance.

(4) that a jodi may be imposed, instead of Kandaya on the lands granted in the Yedatore Taluk.

As regards the 2nd prayer, a reference is respectfully invited to the G.O. of the 3rd May 1906 referred to above

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Regarding the accommodation of the Orphans,

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(No 3 prayer), the Govt in their Pro. of the 19th Sept 1905 referred to above, have sanctioned Rs 3000/- from state funds for the acquisition of 2 houses and some sites near about the Mandiram,. Acquisitions are stated to have been made at a cost of Rs 2719-12-4, and an appeal regarding the ~~award of~~ compensation of Rs 233-7-3 awarded by the Dy Commr is pending disposal in the Bangalore Sub Judge's Court.

G.O. No 3488-90 Dy 16.10.07 File No 38-93 (Mmz)

G.O. No. 1372-3 Dy 4.9.07 File No 38-93 (Mmz)

3 The Govt in the Revenue Department have declined to ~~pass the~~ convert the ~~proposal to convert the~~ Kandaya ~~assessment~~ tree lands granted to the Mandiram in the Yedatore Taluk into a ~~permanent~~ division.

4 ~~Subject~~ Mr. ~~submitted~~ submitted to Second Council by 16.12.07 The Land in this Taluk has been recently raised - I do not see any necessity for enhancement if the Council so desires a report will be called for from the Dy Comr

5 The Rev Dept have already declined to treat the land as Inam. The recommendation of the Collr is called for

Govt Dy No. R. 9167 dy 10.4.07 L.R 313-06 File No 111-06

6 Govt may however sanction a grant for the construction of the Orphanage on condition that the Municipal Chairman submits a plan and estimate and collects & deposits the amount which the Govt grant will not meet the estimate & on condition that the Orphanage is managed by a

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Committee and not by an individual.

Mention of Institutions

1 No separate Accounting officer is, I presume, necessary in the case of reports voluntarily sent without requisition by Govt. In the present case, the receipt may be acknowledged.

2 I do not think that a grant of more than 15 K. can be fairly given for the Temple.

3 For the present strength of the institution, the grant now given seems reasonable enough but if it grows in numbers, the question of a suitable increase may be considered.

4 We may promise half grant for building, if Mr. G collects the other half & the plans are first submitted for approval, and

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the endowment placed on a legally secure basis by appointment of trustees or Constn of a Committee of Management.

11 The question of reconsidering the order about Jodi may be dealt with in the Rev Dept.

12. Send reply to Mr. G. after submission to the Dewan with the Rev Br note on the last point.

17/12/09

Mis 99-09 20-12-09. To Branch I for opinion

20/12/09

13. The facts of the case relating to the conversion of the lands in the Hirle village granted to the Srimvasa Mandiram at Bangalore into Shrotriya Jodi tenure are noted fully in the files ~~first copy~~.

Scotch referred to in the

* L.R. 313 of 06 & 142 and L.R. 776-07 & 142 M. & B.

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marginal and the question has already been considered twice and does not seem to require fresh consideration. 20/12/09

Submitted 4/29/12/09 57 2 29/12/09

Submitted to Secretary

Abdul Rahman

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Secretary.

Please circulate to the 1st Councillor also in view of the promise proposed in the 2nd Councillor's note

Submitted to 1st Councillor

Abdul Rahman

8/1/1910

664 10.1.10

I agree with the 2nd Councillor Half the cost of constructing an orphanage (for boys and girls of all castes) may be promised as a contribution from Govt. subject to a limit of say Rs 5000/ or 20.

H.M.

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Submitted to His Highness.

In submitting the report on the administration of the Srinivasa Mandiram and connected charities during 1908-09, Mr. A. Gopalacharlu, the Secretary and Founder, has made certain requests, one of which relates to aid from Government for the construction of a building to accomodate the orphans.

2. The Second Councillor proposes that half-grant for building may be promised, if Mr. Gopalacharlu collects the other half and the plans are submitted for approval and the endowment is placed on a legally secure basis by appointment of trustees or constitution of a Committee of Management.

3. The matter having been circulated to the First Councillor, he agrees with the Second Councillor and states that half the cost of constructing an orphanage (for boys and girls of all castes) may be promised as a contribution from Government subject to a limit of say Rs.5,000 or so.

4. In consideration of the fact that Government have already sanctioned a sum of Rs.3,000 for the

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acquisition of two houses and some sites for providing accommodation for the orphans and extending the library attached to the Mandiram, I think that half the cost of construction (subject to a maximum limit of Rs.5,000) may also be promised on the conditions suggested by the Second Councillor.

5. With reference to the First Councillor's observation about the orphanage being available for boys and girls of <u>all castes</u>, I would restrict this to boys and girls of such castes as are permitted to visit the Mandiram.

6. The other requests of Mr. Gopalacharlu which are detailed in the office notes will be separately dealt with.

T Ananda Rao
15 Jan '10

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.

Subject.

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Question of a building scheme for the construction of a building for the orphans in connection with the Srinivasa-Mandiram Charities at Bangalore.

Y.L.G. 489
19.1.10

Order.

I agree with the Dewan.

K.R.W.
18/1/10

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Draft order for -/
19/Jan/10
B.V.H. 19/1/10

K.R.W.
19/1/10

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66 Resubmitted to Dewan
Ambalavana Mudaliar
13/1/1910

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13.1.10

Put up draft
to Dewan
Draft submitted to Hon'ble
Councillor

He does not appear to be necessary to say
now whether the Order is to be for all cases
or for such cases as are permitted to
Visit the Mysore. Mr A Gopalachar
may continue what he is now doing.
Ambalavana Mudaliar

Draft may be 31/1/1910
approved.
Dewan
2/2/10

4353
5.2.10

Submitted to Dewan
3/2/1910 Ambalavana Mudaliar

Issue as
proposed
10/2/10

Rec'd.

To Mr. A. Gopalachariar, Srinivasa Mandiram Chamber
The Comptr., Mysore Govt.
" Dy Commr., Bangalore Dt

G. O. No. 2038-40, dated 12th Feby. 1910.

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States that Govt are not prepared to sanction any further enhancement of grants to the temple (2) that the grants already made for the benefit of the Orphans are sufficient for the present strength of the instn (3) that Govt would contribute as a State grant one-half the cost of constructing the Orphanage subject to a maximum limit of Rs 5,000/- on condn that Mr Gopalacharlu collects the other half of the estimated cost and submits plans &c to Govt within a reasonable time for approval and (4) that the order declining to convert the Devadayam lands in Mirle village into a Jodi inam cannot be reopened

From Mr. A. Gopalacharlu

Letter dated 10th March 1910

Expresses his gratitude for the ~~promise of the~~ grant of Rs 5,000/- promised for the construction of the orphanage

Subd. ~~Accepted~~. Solicit orders if this may be filed.

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ESTABLISHED 1883.

The Srinivasa Mandiram and Charities,

Bangalore, 20th November 1909.

To

K. S. Chendrasekhara Iyer Esqr., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore
General and Revenue Departments
Bangalore.

Sir,

I respectfully beg to submit herewith for information of Government 6 copies of the Mandiram report for the year 1908-09, together with 6 copies of Professor M. Rangacharya's lecture: also with a few other papers. In doing so I beg to state that though a report containing an account of the year's work is regularly submitted, year after year, still it is unfortunate that I am not favoured by Government with a reply recording at least the report submitted. This matter is somewhat discouraging, but I have the satisfaction to know

know that I have done my duty, leaving the rest to government.

In the matter of the concluding paragraph on page 4 of the report, unless the government can come to the relief of the Institution the management of the work will be a sore trial always. The orphans are State wards and their care is a provincial necessity, and, as such, it will not be said that I am over stepping my bounds, if I represented to government that the Orphanage is worthy of receiving some additional and permanent aid from the State's Provincial funds towards the construction of orphanage Quarters and maintenance charges. In my experience, I regret to say that it will take a generation more for the general public and the masses to appreciate the advantages of organised charities. It will also be seen that I am not exceeding my rights, when I pray for the fixing of a godi on the Mirale lands

under

under circumstances noted in the reports.

Again, as for the Temple itself, though it cannot be compared with some of the big Muzrai institutions in the Province, so far as their car processions, Melas, and Utsavams are concerned still it can be stated without fear of contradiction, that the Mandiram is keeping pace with the present times in maintaining a pure and healthier moral atmosphere, without in the least sacrificing the Agamic ordinances in the conduct of, Pooja and observance of rituals. It provides a day's food to the needy wayfarer, access to the Mandiram seeking Theertha and Prasada in a city like Bangalore, the official capital of the State, it is very necessary that a Temple like the Mandiram should have more Muzrai aid and cooperation. It will be a legitimate charge, if a portion of the Muzrai budgetted amounts or a portion of the accruing interest of Muzrai endowments could be kindly given for the

providing

providing of Quarters of a permanent kind to the orphans whose Shelter the Mandiram has undertaken. More cannot be said on the subject. I leave the entire matter to Government for a generous treatment.

I beg leave to remain,

Sir,

your most obedient Servant,

A. S. Mahadevan.

Secretary & Founder,

The Srinivasa Mandiram and Charities.

(Estd 1883.)

THE 26TH ANNUAL REPORT.

(FOR THE YEAR 1908—09.)

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

"There are no such things as religious things All things are religious or else nothing is there is no middle course Religion either permeats every thought and act as object of a man s life, or else it never really touches anything in it at all I hate the cant which sets a boundary between what is religious and what is secular—so called for unless a man s religion touches everything about him and around him and within him, that man's religion is vain"

Theosophist for January, 1909. P. 315

During the course of the year when I was visiting a certain gentleman and was talking to him, it was casually observed that the secular side of the Mandiram work was more commendable than its work on the religious side It was rather difficult to me to draw a line of demarcation between the two Religion is a word of great impo t It divorces not anything that is commendable from it It includes God and humanity Hence, the above quotation

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MUZARAI.

The Mandiram

When there is such an awakening in the country on all sides and in all departments of human activity, it is to be deplored that our leaders have not paid any serious attention worth mentioning to our temples and places of worship Their present condition and management are far from being satisfactory To make them really useful institutions, unless certain radical reforms are resolutely introduced, we will never be free from the charge of fighting with the phantom leaving out the spirit to take care of itself We neither serve the cause of piety nor serve the cause of godliness In my own humble way having often urged these circumstances, and failing that they attracted no notice whatever at any quarters, I grew less enthusiastic and got myself despaired of directing my labours to any successful issue Though damped thus in earnestness still being unable to free myself from self-created tangles, I had tobe satisfied with what little results I could obtain All the year round the services in the temple were regularly conducted The 2nd November 1908, the Birth and Installation days of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, were held as days of special ceremony The first day was a remarkable one It was the jubilee day of the issue of the famous Proclamation of 1858, making India a part and parcel of the British Crown conferring on Indians equal privileges and rights of citizenship with its own English subjects Special prayers were recited invoking Divine grace for the everlasting continuance of the British Raj, and for the ever increasing prosperity of the Mysore Kingdom and its beloved and esteemed Ruler The next item of importance is the acceptance of my invitation by Mr M Rangacharya, M A, Rao Bahadur, Professor of Sanskrit and Comparative Philology, Presidency College Madras, to deliver the annual address on the anniversary day of Sri Ramanuja The meeting was presided over by Mr H V Nanjundiah, M A, M L, Second Councillor of the Mysore State It was a unique gathering and Mr Dodannah

Chetty's Hall was so overcrowded, an inch of space was not available anywhere Almost all the officers and officials of the State, and other gentlemen of City and Cantonment, and suburbs, including the Dewan, were present The students also mustered in very large numbers The subject of the lecture was "Ramanuja and Vaishnavism" It would be out of place to speak anything about it here Suffice it to say that I invite the attention of the Mandiram patrons, sympathisers and friends, to the small brochure which forms an enclosure to this report and which contains the verbatim address delivered on that day. It is some small consolation to me that the temple should have produced this result at least Though times are hard and enough means could not be found to make both ends meet, still 610 pilgrims were fed in addition to the feeding of the necessary temple staff during the year. The maintenance has cost Rs 600/-, while the receipt is only Rs. 317-7-0. Comment on the deficit is unnecessary.

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EDUCATIONAL

The Oriental and Mixed Library and Free Reading Room

21,007 is the total number of reading visitors that have taken advantage of the Library and its Free Reading Room Of this total, 14,000 are males, 6,000 are females and 1,007 are juveniles The place is a popular resort to students from Colleges and High Schools, retired Officers and Officials, and any general public that might wish to spend an hour or two usefully Though there is accommodation for 50 people to sit at one stretch, 25 sitting on each side of the table, still this is found quite inadequate for the increasing numbers that are desirous to avail themselves of the benefits of the reading provided As for juveniles, I regretfully restrict their number for want of a separate table, filled with such literature as will be useful to them. The remarks made last year on the subject, I am sorry to note, are yet attracting the attention of the authorities concerned

The Government of India, the Government of Mysore and other Administrations, are continuing to forward to the Library free of charge all their publications from time to time I am greatly indebted to them for the privilege, and likewise I am obliged to Mrs. Annie Besant, for a free copy of the *Theosophist*.

The Ladies' Section

52 weekly and 2 special meetings were held during the year One of the special meetings was largely and very numerously attended It was composed of members from all communities, including a few respectable English ladies At this meeting, Mrs T. Ananda Rao Sundaraboyamma, was presented with an address She was congratulated on the elevation of her esteemed husband to the high and responsible office of the Dewanship of the Mysore State The gathering was thoroughly representative and very noteworthy in its character Mrs. Sundaraboyamma, thanked the members for the honour shown her and promised every support to the Association,

The second meeting was convened for the purpose of collecting funds for the relief of the sufferers of the Hyderabad-Musi-River Catastrophe The initiation and success of this fund is entirely due to the energetic working of Sowbhagyavati Giriammal (Mrs L Srinivasaiyengar), and her daughters The meeting was only organized under the auspices of the Mandiram and the co-operation of its members 52 lectures were delivered on various social, moral and religious subjects. Some of these were very educative and suggestive At one of the meetings Srimati Sundramma of Mysore, was presented with a sandal-wood box and a copy of Bhagavad-Gita, for her having passed the Pandita Examination in Sanskrit The Secretary takes this opportunity to thank not only the ladies who contributed papers, but who kindly underlook to read them to the audience A class was maintained for the teaching of Harmonium, which was attended by half a dozen members including two or three grown up girls It must be noted that these are making a fair progress The work has a great future, if gentlemen of light and leading and the ladies of Mysore, especially educated, can come forward to guide and lead the organizers of this movement. Gratitude beats high in the heart for the sympathy which Mrs Constance Fraser, displays in the success of the work. It is of great social value that she should have thought of inviting all the

members of the Ladies' Section, on two occasions to the Residency The first being the holding of a Garden Party, and the second being a Purdah Party, held exclusively for the benefit of Indian ladies The Secretary will be failing in her duty, if she should not acknowledge with thanks the help of all the members of the Section, for their subscriptions and donations paid towards the maintenance of the work With this help, she still finds that she cannot keep the account clear We hope a Malabari, will rise in Mysore to further the interests of this work

It should not be left unrecorded that some members including the Secretary, had the honor of attending on invitation the Bharata-Mahila Parishad, which held its sitting in December last (1908), at Madras The Secretary read a paper about the working of their own organisation and its objects there The work appears to have been much appreciated by the honored President and other leading members of that great national gathering If every thing goes well, the Section, proposes to hold its second anniversary in the near future The maintenance has cost Rs 1,174-2-0 while the receipt is only Rs 1,030-2-0 Remarks on the excess need not be offered

The Orphanage

One will not feel inclined to read a grumbling report, but unfortunately this document is such For a growing City like Bangalore and the flourishing C and M Station by its side, it looks very strange that this Orphanage, should be fighting for its mere existence An Officer who visited the Mandiram some time ago, said that attempts must be made to convince the public of the utility of the Orphanage It cannot be said that such attempts were not made The Institution is thoroughly known It is not conducted in any secret manner It is only powerless to prevail upon people who will not look though they have eyes, who will not hear though they have ears and who will not respond though they have hearts It is not a creation of to-day or yesterday It was founded nearly 20 years ago It has sent into the world about 70 boys with some educational and industrial equipment Besides, the Orphanage has made no distinction in receiving boys or girls of any caste or creed, provided they were merely units of the Hindu community Brahmans and non-Brahmans were given an equal treatment The Institution fought always for communal and not class interests With this much to say in its favour, it is to be regretted its future progress and prospects are very disappointing. Admissions are refused every day When the present strength itself is living almost on a famine fare, how can it be possible to make room for any new boys however deserving or worthy they may be? The scheme for building permanent quarters for these boys is still to pass from its incipient stage, though it is sufficiently old and mature Of course, a beginning was made for collecting donations A book was sent round The list was headed by a few well-known names Here it stopped and proceeded no further experience proving very unfavourable It is a matter of concern that there is no accommodation worth the name for lodging these homeless children, whose care the Institution has undertaken

However discouraging are the circumstances above enumerated, there are at present 14 boys and a girl on the roll In addition to the School education they receive, majority of them are taught drawing, carpentry and rattan work Some of the boys are working well To this we are thankful to the authorities of the Free School, established by Sowcar Janopakari Doddannah Chetty One of the boys has joined the School of Arts, Madras, with a scholarship kindly granted him by the Government of Mysore The boy is reported to be making a good progress in his studies Another lad who was intelligent and promising, it is sad to be said, is no more He was 17 years old He had a fall on the play-ground, and had his right hand broken completely He was immediately sent to the Victoria Hospital, and in spite of all the aid that was rendered there he succumbed to the injury, death resulting from tetanus There being no claimants to take the body, we cremated him with our own hands The huddling of the boys in the present temporary shelter, causes much inconvenience, and it always interferes with their health and the prosecution of their studies All the year round there are sick beds and the nursing is a difficult matter to my wife To supplement this state of affairs, we have to face frequent strikes of cooks, whose good-will it is impossible to purchase either for love or money Amidst all these troubles it is some relief to note that all the boys have done well in their terminal examinations, and they promise to come up high next year They are good in their religious and moral lessons as well The maintenance has cost Rs 1,893-5-0, while the receipt is only Rs 1,_97-0-10 Explanation on the deficit is unnecessary.

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CONCLUSION.

There remains nothing more to be stated I must only conclude by respectfully inviting the attention of Government in the Muzarai Department to the representations* made last year re the construction of Orphanage quarters It may be taken into consideration that the Mandiram has not received any building contribution from the beginning either from the Muzarai or the Provincial funds towards the erection of the present buildings Recently a small temporary servants quarters were also added at a cost of Rs 250 All these were built by public support alone The Institution might have approached the Government for a moiety, but it never did so I should be very grateful if the matter can now receive consideration

About the temple, its *Thastic* is very small I pray it may be increased by rupees 10 at least per mensem, seeing how useful a work it is calling out Lastly, I must be allowed to request the Government in the Revenue Department, to kindly re consider the question of fixing a *jodi* instead of *kandayam*, on lands granted to the Mandiram at Mirle, Mysore District It is the pecuniary crux to which the Institution is running into, that forces me to urge this prayer so repeatedly

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ACKNOWLEDGMENTS OF GRATITUDE

Whether progressive or retrogressive is the work, I cannot say However the year's working is due to the bounty of the Mandiram patrons and friends, whose names appear elsewhere I am thankful to the City Municipal Council, Bangalore, for their kindly providing a sumptuous treat to the Orphans of the Mandiram, on the occasion of the jubilee day of the issue of the Great Proclamation I am also thankful to all the donors who help the Orphanage with their weekly rice doles Again, I am indebted to two or three ladies who are recently giving some small subscriptions to the Orphanage Further, I am thankful to Mr T Masilamony Mudaliar, Medical Officer of the Chamarajapet Dispensary, Bangalore City, for the valuable services he always renders gratis to the Institution It is my earnest desire that the Senior Surgeon to the Government of Mysore, will kindly notice these services I am indebted to Sir P N Krishnamurthi, KCIE, Messrs T Ananda Rao and N Narasimha Iyengar, for their monthly and weekly subscriptions I should not omit to thank Mr N Srinivasa Rao, Amildar of Yadatore, for recovering me the produce of the Mirle lands

Below are the names to whom reference is made above —

His Highness the Maharaja Sri Krishna Raja Udayar Bahadur GCSI Rs 50, His Holiness the Swami of Thothadri, Vanamamalai Mutt, Rs 35, His Holiness the Swami of Singeri Mutt, Rs 25, Messrs A Malgundadeva Mudaliar, PL, Rs 25, A Srinivasachariu, RB, Rs 10, M B Srinivasiengar, Rs 15, B Ramachendrappa, Rs 15, K P Puttannachetty, Rs 10, H V Nanjundiayya, MA, MD Rs 10, V Masilamony Chettiar, Rs 10, B Subbanna BA BL, Rs 5, S Narayana Rao, Rs 5, P Raghavendra Rao, BA, BL, Rs 5, M Shama Rao, MA, Rs 5, B Ramiengar Rs 5, B Sinamuli Chettiar Rs 5, M K Srinivasiengar, Rs 5, T Venkoba Rao, BA BL, Rs 4, A T Setlur Iyengar, Rs 3, Dr Aboy Naidu, Rs 3, S Rungayya, BA, BL, Rs 3, N V Narasimhaiengar, BA BL, Rs 2, S Varadarajiengar Rs 2, S Srinivasiengar and S Tirumalachar Rs 2, C V Narasimhaiengar, BA, BL, Rs 2, M A Srinivasa Iyengar, Rs 2, Sivappa Sankarappa Rs 2, B Venkataramiah (Head Master, A V School) Rs 2, Thandur Rungaswamiengar Rs 2, S Subbaraya BA, Rs 2, S Subba Rao, (Sidlaghatta,) Rs 2, S Ramanujulu Naidu, (R M S) Rs 2, S Ramachar, (Kolar) Rs 1-8, S Narasimha Iyengar, Re 1, C Krishna Rao, (Head Master, City Municipal High School,) Re 1 H V Krishnayya, Re 1, T Appoo Rao BA, BL, Re 1, V B Subbaya & Sons Re 1, Sriman Narayanaswami Naidu, (Thiruvannamallai,) Re 1, H Krishnappa, BA, Re 1, Setlur Iyengar (Judge, Mysore Chief Court,) Re 1, Ram chendra Rao, BA BL Re 1, and Sriman Rajarathnam Mudaliar, (C and M Station,) Re 1, Mr M Tirunarayaniyengar, some provisions Add Messrs B Narasimha Iyengar (S M R,) Rs 2, M Krishnasawmy Naidu, (Kumbakonum,) Re 1, Seelam Rangasawmy Mudaliar, (R M S,) Annas 8, Tiruvengadasawmy Mudaliar, (Bank Cashier,) Annas 8

LADIES

Mrs T Numberumal Chetty, (Madras,) Rs 5, Mrs Rajagopal Naidu, (Arsikere,) 100 Cocoanuts, Srimathi Sharada bayi, Rs 5, Miss Lakshman Rao, (Puttamma) Rs 5, Srimathi Ammanamma, (Dwarakanath,) Rs 3 and provisions, Srimathi Ammanamma (Mrs Gopaliengar, late Huzur Treasury Officer,) Rs 3 and provisions, and from Bangalore Kamalamma's estate through her heirs Rs 3. Total Rs 319-8 0

Last year's Report (copy) submitted for ready reference

Abstract account of total receipts and disbursements for the year 1908—09, i.e., from 1st July 1908 to 30th June, 1909, Srinivasa Mandiram and Charities, Bangalore.

Receipts.	Rs.	A.	P.	Expenditure.	Rs.	A.	P.
Under all heads:—Rice-dole Collection, Small coin, Monthly Subscriptions, subscriptions from Ladies for the Ladies' Section, Weekly Subscriptions, Collections from the Temple Charity box, *Thastick*, Palace Grant, Government Grants, Annual Subscriptions and value of produce from the lands at Mirič, etc. ...	2,644	15	10	Under all heads:—Boarding of Orphans, pilgrims, Temple servants, supplying of school wants, clothing, examination fees, etc. Establishment—Library, Orphanage and Temple; purchase of books, subscriptions to Newspapers and periodicals, new furniture, purchase of new articles, construction of servants' quarters and repairs—annual and sundry, Printing, Postage, Telegrams, Kandayam paid to Government and miscellaneous ...	3,667	7	0
Deficit ...	1,022	7	2				
Total Rs...	3,667	7	0	Total Rs..	3,667	7	0

N.B.—The year was an exceptional one. Distress and high prices were the chief complaints. Hence this unavoidable deficit.

THE SRINIVASA MANDIRAM,
Bangalore City, November, 1909.

A. GOPALACHARLU.

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The Srinivasa Mandiram and Charities.

The 25th Annual Report.

(FOR THE YEAR 1907—08.)

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

When space is found elsewhere in this account for printing the report addressed to the Inspector-General of Education in Mysore, giving him a résumé of the work conducted in the year past in the secular departments of the Mandiram, it will be inexcusable to supplement it with any additional comments in this introduction. Perhaps, I may be pardoned to say a few words about the unrealised wish of the Institution, to have a solid habitation for its Orphans I am sorry, I have failed in my endeavours to raise any considerable amount by public subscriptions or donations, that would help me to start the construction of the necessary buildings for the location of these Orphans I must not be found fault with on this account if I urge the Government, to provide at State cost the required buildings in as much as the inmates of the Orphanage, being their own wards. The Government or the public can see what my inconvenience is when they read below the D. O. note addressed to me by the District Superintendent of Police, Bangalore, only the other day, *i.e.*, July 18th, 1908:—

"In reply to your letter of this morning, I am glad to inform you that the District Magistrate to whom the question was referred for orders, has approved of the girl being made over to the Orphanage established by you. I have accordingly sent the girl to your care, which kindly acknowledge."

I could have refused admission, but think of the fate of the poor *Kadu-golla* girl, if none came forward to protect her. If the Mandiram Orphanage cannot give food, shelter, raiment and education to such children, then the Institution would be of no service at all. But when children are taken and when there is no ready accommodation at hand to put them, one may understand what the fix of the Manager is. If circumstances were more favourable and times not so pinching, I would not have pressed the question of providing accommodation on the attention of Government. But it is a matter of fact that all are living in very hard times. The Mandiram is entirely a Muzarai Institution—and as there being no other Muzarai Temple engaged in such a catholic work as it does, it will be just if provision could be made from the Muzarai budget allotment to grant a certain amount every year for one or two years. If such consideration is possible—there will be no difficulty to have a decent structure, wherein the Hindu orphans can find a home to live in. If the Government cannot view this proposition with favour, I must only feel satisfied to leave the matter to my successors or the posterity to complete what I humbly began, nearly twenty five years ago. I may not be spared to see a consummation of the work thus undertaken, but it cannot be an event of any importance if abler hands can command more success than my poor self after me.

There now remains nothing more to be said than to record my grateful thanks to all my patrons, supporters and friends, who have helped me during the year. Their names will be found printed at the end of the report. It is also very gratifying to note that H. H. the Yuvaraj of Mysore, should have kindly acknowledged the invitation addressed to him, soliciting his presence on the Inaugural Day of the Institution. I am further indebted to some of the gentlemen in the City and Chamrajpett, &c., who contribute their weekly alms in aid of the Orphanage and the religious work of the Mandiram. The kindness of Mr. N. Srinivasa Rao, Amildar of Yedatorê, in recovering for me the produce of the Mirlê lands—is a matter that I cannot overlook, but record with thanks. Again I should not forget to invite the attention of the authorities concerned to the Medical aid rendered to the Institution by Messrs. Rajagopal Pillai and Masilamony Moodliar of the Arleypette and Chamrajpette Dispensaries. I pray their services will be kindly noted by Government.

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MUZARAI.

Under this head there is not much to be said. I must only repeat the observations recorded in my previous reports. The Mandiram or the temple-proper has maintained its usual efficiency in conducting the *Nitya* constant and *Naimittika*—occassional services in their regular order during the year under report. Larger were the congregations that attended this time, the celebrations of the annual *Utsavam* and the birth day ceremonies of Sri Ramanujacharya. Particular days were fixed for the delivery of lectures, and these lectures exerted a great moral effect on the congregation. The birth and installation days of H. H. the Maharaja—were days of much rejoicing at the Mandiram. Special services were held on these occassions praying the Lord of Bliss—Srinivasa, to shower on H. H. the Maharaja and the members of his royal household His choicest gifts—and to grant the country peace and plenty always One more circumstance I am anxious to add. The retirement of Mr. L. Anantaswami Rao from service is felt by the public somewhat keenly. In him the Muzarai Institutions in general and the Mandiram in particular, has lost a friend and a sympathetic spirit. I wish him every happiness in his well earned repose, and hope that in his successor the public will find equally a good officer similar to him in all respects.

The Mandiram.

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(Report addressed to the Inspector-General of Education in Mysore.)

EDUCATIONAL.

SIR,—In answering your requisition asking me to submit a short report about the working of the Mandiram secular departments I beg to bring the following items to your kind notice:—

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The year 1907-08 would have been quite an uneventful one, but for two circumstances. The first being the holding of an Inaugural Day of the Institution, and the second being the opening of a Ladies' Section in connection with the Mandiram educational work. It is proposed to make the holding of the inaugural meeting an annual function, provided the Mandiram can count upon the co-operation and sympathy of such scholars as have studied comparatively the Western and Oriental sides of religion and philosophy. The object of convening such an inaugural gathering is to place before the public the liberal and cosmopolitan character of Sri Ramanuja's (our Patron Saint) teachings and the universal truths he expounded. It was very kind of Mr. M. B. Srinivasiengar, M.A., Head Master of the Hassan High School, to have consented to deliver the first inaugural address on the 5th of May '08, under the kind presidency of Mr. C. Srinivasiengar, Retired Councillor of the Mysore State. The address and the Chairman's speech will be printed shortly and made ready for circulation.

The Inaugural Day.

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The 13th of June 1907 saw a fresh page in the history of the Mandiram. On this day, the Ladies' Section was opened by my wife for the benefit of her Aryan sisters. It is therefore time now to hold its first anniversary. In its initial stages, my wife had to experience much indifference and cold shoulder at the hands of her conservative sisters. They thought that she had become a radical reformer and was trying to revolutionize the Hindu society. But her persistent pleading, persuasion, and counting not the odds, gradually secured her their sympathy. There was also a change noticed in the views of some of them, when they saw that the work was not intended to denationalize them or encourage them in any way to encroach upon the men's rights. Under all circumstances, I believe, the progress made is satisfactory. In addition to the daily reading of vernacular news-papers and periodicals which the Library provided them, the members have read and returned more than a hundred books. They have held nearly 35 meetings. Some of the essays read on these occasions, were excellent and interesting. Several of them have appeared not only in the *Kannada* news-papers, but their English abstracts have appeared in the columns of the "Madras Mail," the "Madras Times," the "Hindu," the "Daily Post," the "Indian Social Reformer," the "Ladies' Magazine," and other English journals. The Editors of these journals

The Ladies' Section.

were glad to encourage the ladies to find space in their important columns for their productions. A few of these essays are so instructive that they are worthy of being printed and circulated. The audiences were also entertained at these meetings by the playing of Harmonium, *Veenéy* and vocal singing as well. Mrs I. G. Pitt of Cambridge, an aged English lady who visited one or two of these Ladies' gatherings, observed in her lecture to them on the "Influence of women," as follows:—

"DEAR SISTERS,—I have been asked to say a few words to you to-day. I cannot speak well in Telugu and so you must forgive mistakes. Before I came here last week, I did not know about this Ladies' Association, and was very much astonished to see so many ladies gathered together to listen to two excellent lectures I was not only astonished but rejoiced, to recognize in this a sign that a new era is beginning for India, because the women of India are now seeing that they are a great power and that the well-being and prosperity of this country depends chiefly on them."

In the course of her further remarks, she observed that Hindu ladies should take every advantage of the goodness of Mrs. A. Gopalacharlu and others who have started this Library and work here,—adding that it was also a wonder to find a work started by a single individual going on by her energy. She thought also that it will gladden the hearts of all who loved India, if they make the best use of the present convenience provided for their self-education and self-improvement. She again remarked that the work of rescuing and training of orphans with which this Institution is concerned, is a very noble work.

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From the above it will be seen that here we have a wide field for successful working, if only the Mandiram can command sufficient means to do so. The ladies require a convenient building for themselves quite separate from the Library, wherein, the sterner sex have also now access Though the Mandiram has space enough to construct a special building, it is to be regretted it has not the funds required Many of the lady visitors have expressed a desire to learn even some handicrafts and are also willing to take tution in the play of harmonium and *Veenéy*, &c At present, a class for instruction in the harmonium is opened in my private *Kuteera* (an aboriginal habitation), and it is too early to make any report. The Section was visited by 5,650 reading lady-visitors during the course of the year.

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The Orphanage.

About the working of the Orphanage and the Library, I need not say many words. I shall content myself to quote below the opinions expressed by Sir P. N. Krishna Murthi, K.C.I.E., and Rev A. R. Fuller, B.A, (London), Principal of the Wesleyan High School The quoting of these opinions saves the recording of my own doings to write which, it is not always a pleasant task. The only difficulty is that both ends cannot be made to meet, so far as the maintainance of the Institutions is concerned. The question of accommodation for the living of the orphans is still a dream. The reception accorded to my appeal on the subject has been very cold. The only consolation is that I have done my duty willingly and unstintingly. More than this I cannot be expected to do In my declining years it will be a great solace to me if the Government can come to my relief and provide the Institution, with an Orphanage building. Till such a building takes a solid form, the progress that may be made cannot be counted as a success. Want of means compel me always to refuse applications from deserving orphans During the year, I had 16 lads on the roll. Four attended the Railway and other Workshops, seven were in the Middle School, and five in the Primary School. Of these one is a non-Brahman girl recently admitted The School report has been satisfactory and all the boys have got their promotions. One of the workshop boys has passed the Mysore Lower Secondary Examination by studying privately and taking sanskrit for his optional subject. The boys were ill several times and all had measles by turns, and it was a hard work to my wife to attend to them. Unfortunately, no room could be found to segregate them to prevent the spread of infection. Mr. P. Vasudeva Rao, an Assistant Master of the City Wesleyan High School, examined the boys on the 11th of July. 1908, in their religious knowledge, and he says that the boys did exceedingly well and obtained the maximum number of marks, the results reflecting credit on the teacher who taught them The receipts of the Orphanage under all heads, such as Government grant, scholarships, produce of lands, rice-dole collections, subscriptions, &c, come to Rs. 1,193-11-0 The expenditure under all heads, such as boarding, payment of scholarships, cost of clothing, examination

fees, books and other school necessaries,—including establishment charges, salary of the teacher, Kandayam paid to Government, and repairs executed to the temporary shelter in which the boys are now lodged, come to Rs. 1,520-5-0, thus putting me to a deficit side of Rs. 326-10-0.

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The following are the opinions of Sir P. N. Krishna Murthi, K.C.I.E., and Rev. A R. Fuller, B.A., (London), referred to above:—

"At the request of Mr. A. Gopalacharlu, I visited the Srinivasa Mandiram Library and Orphanage, and was much interested in all I saw. The Reading Room is well arranged and provided with a good assortment of papers and periodicals representing many shades of opinion. The Library contains a number of very valuable religious and philosophical works, and appears to combine in a pleasing whole many of the best thoughts of East and West. Mr. Gopalacharlu is evidently strengthening the Library on the side of standard fiction, and some of his recent additions are not only pleasing in appearance, but likely to prove of interest and profit to their readers. One cannot fail to notice the broad-mindedness evidenced in the choice of books and papers, and one would imagine that such an Institution would exert a healthy educational influence on the people of the neighbourhood. I noted with much pleasure the well-kept and tidy appearance of the temple premises, and was shown some orphans who are helped by the Institution. I understand that Mr. Gopala Charlu has a scheme for building fresh accommodation for the Orphanage, and so extending the scope of his philanthrophic enterprise, and one can sincerely wish for him all the success which his work deserves."

(Signed) A. R. FULLER,
Principal,
Wesleyan High School, B. City.

August 24th, 1907.

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"This Institution under Mr. Gopalacharlu deserves more encouragement and support than it at present receives from the interested public. The work of progress in connection with this temple has been going on for several years and I was one of the first to help in the removal of encroachments and obstructions. Mr. Gopalacharlu deserves every credit for his honest and earnest endeavours to blend the Eastern and Western reforms and he has conceived them in a progressive spirit without sacrificing the best Hindu instincts. The Orphanage is a useful appendage wherein both religious and industrial requirements of the day are particularly attended to Just lately, he has succeeded in acquiring a place for a small necessary extension, but the enterprise suffers from disadvantages which can only be remedied by the generosity of the public and Government. It is their liberality which is called for and the construction of the building cannot go on without it. As my humble contribution, I shall be glad to pay one-hundred rupees when the building is started."

8th December, 1907. (Signed) P. N. KRISHNA MURTHI.

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The Library and the Free Reading Room.

The above remarks are enough to show the progress of the Library and the Free Reading Room as well. I must only say that the Library was visited during the year under report by 15,577 reading-visitors. It will be a very advantageous matter if a Students or Juvenile Branch is attached to the Library for the exclusive use of the student and the juvenile population, that are coming in large numbers to read papers. It will be good to give them a separate place with a table full of educational and other instructive papers, which will bring them under a healthy influence. They should not imbue such ideas as would not be beneficial to them. We must only help them with such reading as would enable them to be better men afterwards. I remain, &c.,

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The following are the names of the yearly contributors:—

1. H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore, G.C.S.I., Rs. 50; 2. H. H. Sri Vanamamalai Swami, Rs. 35; 3. H. H. the Swami of Sringeri, Rs. 25; 4. Messrs. A. Maigundadeva Moodr., R.B., Rs. 25; 5. A. Srinivasa Charlu, R.B, Rs. 15; 6. B. Ramachendrappa, Rs. 16; 7. K. P. Puttanna Chetty, Rs. 10; 8. M. B. Srinivasa Iyengar, Rs. 10; 9. A. R. Cheluvarova Moodr. Rs. 10; 10. Masilamony Chettiar, Rs. 10; 11. P. C. Cehngalroya Naidu, Rs. 6; 12. Gubbi Thotadappa, Rs. 6;

13. S. Narayana Rao, Rs. 5; 14. B. Narayana Iyenger, Rs. 5; 15. B. J. Kumarasawmy Naik, Rs. 5; 16. B. N. Venketaramiah Rs. 5 (has paid also for annual repairs of the temple—estimated cost Rs. 25); 17. B. Subbanna, Rs. 5; 18 B Sriramulu Chetty, Rs. 5; 19 Sou Putamma, Rs. 5; 20. S. N. Sampath Iyengar of Ahmedabad, Rs. 5; 21. T. Venkoba Rao, Rs 4; 22. A. T. Setlur, Rs. 4; 23. Dr. V. Abboy Naidu, Rs. 3; 24. S. Ranganna (Adv.) Rs. 3; 25. S. N. Subba Rao, Binny and Co., Rs. 3; 26. D. B. Ramachendra Moodr., Rs 3; 27. Ammannamma, Rs. 3 with 5 seers of rice; 28. B. Kamalammaul, Rs. 3; 29. B Raghunandanachar, Rs. 3; 30. L. Anantasawmy Rao, Rs. 2; 31. M. Narayanaswamy Naidu, Tiruvannalur, Rs. 2; 32. B. Venkataramiah, Rs. 2; 33. M. A. Srinivasa Iyengar—Madras Bank, Rs. 2; 34. S. Varda Raja Iyengar, Rs. 2; 35. Garudamma. Rs. 2; 36. S. T. Ramanujalu Naidu, R.M.S., Rs. 2; and (Rs. 2-5-0, Pushpalu Aundalamma, Sunkara Bangaramm, Tiruvengadamudian Sabha, Thyamma and Manavalamamuni Sabha, B. Venketsawmi and K. Ramanujamma—being collections through him); 37. Dr. Narasimha Char, Rs. 2; 38. S. Subbaraya, Adv, Rs. 2; 39. B. B. Narasimha Char, Rs. 2; 40. Periyappen and Chinnappen, Rs. 2; 41. Seshachar, Revenue-Inspector, Chennarayapatna, Rs. 2; M. K. Srinivasa Iyengar, (has supplied provisions worth Rs. 10.)

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The Institution is also thankful to the gentlemen noted below for their monthly and weekly subscriptions:—

Sir P. N. Krishnamurthi, K.C.I.E., Messrs. T. Ananda Rao and N. Narasimhaiyengar.

Messrs. Mr. P. Raghavendra Roa, B.A, B.L., K. T. Sundara-Rajaiyengar, N. T. Gopalaiyengar, S. Venketvaradamiyengar and B. V. Krishnaiyengar, are requested to continue their help as usual. They should not forget the Mandiram.

Abstract account of total receipts and disbursements for the year 1907—08, *i.e., from* 1*st July,* 1907, *to* 30*th June,* 1908, *Srinivasa Mandiram and Charities, Bangalore.*

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Add defict	367	5	0				
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THE SRINIVASA MANDIRAM,
Bangalore City, August, 1908.

A. GOPALACHARLU.

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The Srinivasa Mandiram and Charities.

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AN EARNEST APPEAL.

GENTLEMEN,

Pondering over my humble endeavours for the past twenty two years, in the foundation and management of the above Institution, single handed, I strongly feel it as incumbent on me to thank the unseen Rulers of the Universe, for their kindness and benevolence to have blessed me with a measure of success, till now achieved It is unnecessary, on that account that I should say many words The excerpts quoted below from the orders recently passed by the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, seem to me to be sufficient, to shew you the amount of progress already made in this work.—

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

READ—

Correspondence ending with application, dated 4th January 1905, from Mr. A Gopalacharlu, Manager of the Srinivasa Mandiram, Bangalore City, requesting the acquisition of certain properties for the extension of the Mandiram, the grant of an increased allowance for the maintenance of the orphanage connected therewith, and a suitable increase to the cash tasdik of the Sri Beytarayaswami temple.

No. 1463 68, DATED BANGALORE, 19TH SEPTEMBER 1905.

ORDER THEREON —Mr. A Gopalachaiu, residing in Balepet, Bangalore City, has under his management (1) a Vishnu temple named the Sri Beytarayaswami temple, a Muzrai institution, otherwise known as the Srinivasa Mandiram, (2) an oriental and mixed library, containing English and Sanskrit books, and (3) an orphanage

2 It appears that many years ago the temple above referred to was in a very neglected condition and its grounds had been largely encroached upon by private individuals, and that Mr A. Gopalacharlu's uncle, named Lakshmanachar, got the encroachments removed under the sanction of the then Chief Commissioner of Mysore, and improved the temple to some extent. At a later date, Mr. Gopalacharlu, himself took a great interest in the institution, collected donations from all parts of India and repaired the temple and built the rooms surrounding it at a large cost. He then opened the free library and the orphanage referred to above and has been devoting himself to the well being of these institutions and of the temple

3. For the maintenance of the institutions named above, the Government have from time to time sanctioned *certain* allowances.

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Mr. Gopalacharlu, has been supplementing the income shown above by weekly collections of rice from private houses and by money subscriptions from the public for temple utsavams and for the purchase of books He represents that the allowances are insufficient for the various purposes connected with the institutions under his management, and that there is a great want of accommodation for the orphans under his care, and he makes the following requests on behalf of the institutions.—

(i) The acquisition of a dwelling house adjoining the Mandiram and situated to the south of it.

(ii) The acquisition of a dilapidated house and grounds situated opposite to the Mandiram.

(iii) The increase of the grant of Rs. 25 per mensem at present made for the maintenance of the orphans at the Mandiram.

(iv) The increase of the present annual tasdik of Rs. 17-7-0 per annum allowed to the temple, and

(v) The payment of Rs 141, being the moiety of the cost of the repairs executed to the temple in 1903

4 The Mandiram was inspected by the Dewan on the 10th February 1905, and was found to be growing in popularity and usefulness It was, however, noticed that inconvenience was felt for want of sufficient accommodation particularly for the residence of the orphans The question of the acquisition of the house mentioned in clause (i) above *viz*, the house adjoining the Mandiram on its southern side, has been under consideration for many years and a declaration under Section 6 of the Land Acquisition Regulation for the acquisition thereof, including the vacant land attached to it, was published in 1900, and the owner was subsequently induced by the Deputy Commissioner (Mr B K Venkata Varada Iyengar) to part with the property for a compensation of Rs 2,300 Next, the second of the properties mentioned in clause (ii) above is at present in ruins and an eye sore to the neighbourhood Its demolition is urgently called for in the interests of sanitation It belongs to Mr Gopalacharlu s relations, and Mr Gopalacharlu, himself possesses a share in it, which he relinquishes in favor of the Mandiram The cost of the acquisition of this property is estimated at Rs 600

5 The Government are of opinion that it is very necessary that the institution should have more accommodation than it has at present, and the acquisition of the properties is very desirable both for providing accommodation for the orphans and for extending the library attached to the Mandiram The selection of a site at any distance from the Mandiram for the accommodation of the orphans, will be inconvenient and prejudicial to the interests of the orphan boys whose welfare has to be personally attended to by Mr Gopalacharlu Under such circumstances the Government are pleased to sanction the acquisition of the two properties named in the foregoing para at a cost not exceeding Rs 3,000, the charge being met as a special case from the State Funds The Deputy Commissioner of the Bangalore District is requested to take early steps for the acquisition, and in doing so, to use his best endeavours to further reduce the amount of compensation as far as possible in consultation with Mr A Gopalacharlu In the case of the houses and sites situated opposite to the Mandiram the Deputy Commissioner is requested to send up a declaration under the Land Acquisition Regulation for publication in the *Mysore Gazette* A list received from Mr Gopalacharlu, showing the boundaries of the sites is herewith forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner for reference and check

6 The next request is for the increase of the allowance of Rs 25 per mensem now granted from the Muzrai Funds for the maintenance of the orphans Mr Gopalacharlu represents that this amount is quite inadequate to meet the various wants of the orphan boys, twelve of whom are now studying in one are other of the schools in the Bangalore City, and that he had to refuse admission to deserving applicants owing to want of means and accommodation It has been ascertained that sixty seven boys were admitted into the orphanage from the commencement, and of these, forty went out successful, thirteen are at present on the roll, eight died, five deserted and one was dismissed for misconduct In consideration of the interest taken by Mr Gopalacharlu, in the work of the orphanage, which is carried on on strictly enlightened lines, and as this is the only Hindu orphanage for the City of Bangalore, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja are pleased to sanction, as in the case of the ' Anathalaya ' at Mysore, a grant of Rs 50 per mensem for this orphanage, on condition that the same should be open to all orphans and be also subject to the supervision and inspection of the Muzrai and educational officers and their good report The present grant of Rs 25 is being charged in equal proportions to the funds of the Chamrajnagar and Kalasa temples under orders conveyed in Government Proceedings No 2892-1901—Muz F 5-96 dated 19th March 1904, but, as the maintenance of orphans is a legitimate charge upon the State, the Government direct that the Muzrai budget be relieved of this liability and the full amount of Rs 50 sanctioned above be met from the State Revenues.

7 In regard to the prayer for the Increase of the present tasdik which is Rs 17-7-0 per annum, the Government observe that it is no doubt very small, considering the improved services introduced into the temple, but as any special treatment in the present case would afford an inconvenient precedent for similar applications from other institutions enjoying small tasdiks, the Government regret that no addition to the tasdik can at present be sanctioned.

8 Lastly, in regard to the prayer for the payment of a sum of Rs 141, being a moiety of the cost of certain urgent repairs executed to the Mandiram by Mr Gopalacharlu, in 1903, it is reported that repairs to the extent of Rs 282 were actually executed, though without previous intimation thereof to the Government. The Government are pleased to sanction the payment of a moiety thereof, *viz*, Rs 141, to Mr Gopalacharlu, the charge being met from the State Grant of Rs 25,000 provided in the current year's Muzrai Budget, for the repairs of Muzrai institutions in the State

(Sd.) L. ANANTASAMI RAO,
Secretary, Muzrai Dept.

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2. From the above it will be seen that the institution though prepared to work more satisfactorily, is labouring under a great disadvantage for want of more accommodation, light and air That this has been a very sad desideratum from years, can be seen from the too cramped and crowded condition of the institution The Library has literally not an inch of space to answer its ever increasing demands on it The inmates, *i e*, the orphans in the Mandiram, cannot even boast of a corner to simply rest their heads. The inconvenience experienced in consequence, is so very great, it will be no exageration to say that the Orphanage work itself, has suffered seriously in its usefulness and development The want of this convenience, I assure you Gentlemen, is not a luxury, but a sheer necessity Every Gentleman, that has honored the Mandiram, with a visit has not only noticed this insufficiency of existing accommodation, but has remarked that "it would be an immense improvement if quarters for the Orphans can be added" &c And now, it is a relief to me that the Government has graciously come to my aid as may be noted from the orders extracted above

3 Compelled by these considerations, it is proposed to take the full advantage of the generous orders issued by Government, to effect as early as possible, not only the necessary changes and improvement in the buildings, but to construct at once sanitary quarters for the location of the orphans as per plans and estimates herewith submitted The estimated cost comes to nearly Rs 10,000, and the figure being large it need not discourage us I crave you, my patrons, only to contribute your mite, giving no importance as to any greatness or smallness of the contributions It is only the tiny single drops, which fall in full showers that make the heavy rains, which fill our tanks and resorvoirs For the collection of these drops, so long as there is left in me some health and strength to plead the cause of the institution, and make the most of what I may yet spend, and that too, before this freak and fragile body descends into the bowels of earth to be turned into—

"Dust into Dust and under Dust to lie,"

it is my long cherished hope, to leave no stone unturned to make the work a living factor

4 For these reasons, allow me to approach you, Gentlemen, with a prayer to pardon me for this appeal The appeal is for a work of a permanent and lasting character, to carry out which work I have no doubt, your hearts will delight to contribute.

5 Lastly, in inviting your attention to a stanza copied hereunder, I wish to add that I shall pray at the Feet of The Lord of Bliss, to bestow on you His choicest gifts for your large minded sympathy and liberality.

"Who largely gives with willing hand,'
'Or quickly gives with liberal heart,'
'His fame shall spread throughout the land,
'His memory thence shall never depart'

I beg leave to remain,

Gentlemen,

Yours very gratefully and obediently,

A GOPALACHARLU.

The S Mandiram,
Bangalore, 1905

Donation List.

NAMES.	Rs.	NAMES.	Rs.

ESTABLISHED 1883

The Srinivasa Mandiram and Charities,

Bangalore, 23rd Nov. 1909.

Subramanya Iyer Esq. B.A., B.L.,
Muzrai Superintendent to the
Government of Mysore.
Bangalore.

Sir,

In respectfully submitting herewith for information of Government in the Muzrai Department, four copies of the Mandiram report for the year 1908-09, together with four copies of Professor K. Rangacharya's lecture: also with some other printed papers denoting the activities of the Mandiram work in other useful directions, I beg to state that though a report containing an account of the year's work, is regularly submitted, year after year, still it is unfortunate, that I am not favoured by G.
with a reply — recording at least the
thus submitted. The matter is

discouraging, but there is this satisfaction affords me pleasure to know that I have done my duty in rendering an account of this to government, whose bounty I always appreciate with grateful feelings.

2. In the matter of the concluding paragraph on page 4 of the report, unless the government is not moved to come to the relief of the Institution, it need not be said that the management of the work will ever be a sore trial to me, very pinching in its nature. The orphans are Statewards and their care is a Provincial necessity, and, as such, it will not be thought that I am over-stepping my bounds, if I represented to government, that the orphanage is worthy of receiving some additional and permanent aid from the State's Provincial funds towards the Construction of orphanage quarters maintenance charges: which phase of

question, I beg the Nurzrai Department, kindly recommend to the consideration of government. It may be urged that the public should largely come to aid me in a matter like this, but I assure the government, that it is my real experience, which I regret to say, is not very favourable to the public. Real charity has no place with them. The change of times has not affected their old methods. It cannot be denied that a large amount is wasted in charities which are baneful in their results to the well-being and advancement of the people. Education has progressed, but there is no proportionate improvement in our charitable concerns. It will still take a generation for the general public, masses and wealthy people, to appreciate and understand the value of well-organized charitable institutions. Charities which little to live upon are not but they are allowed to starve and

Charities, which have plenty of funds, not rightly fulfilling their purposes. Is it possible under such circumstances, that I can fight these great odds and secure public aid? It is the government, that should bestow a thought on this problem. Similar are my reasons in addition to the grounds urged in the reports for the fixing of a scale on the Mirasi lands in the Mysore District.

3. As for the Temple itself, though it cannot be compared with some of the big Muzrai institutions in the Province, so far as car processions, Utsavams and Uttsavams, etc, are concerned, still it can be stated without fear of contradiction, that the Mandiram is keeping pace with the present times in maintaining a pure and healthier moral atmosphere, without in the least sacrificing the Agamic ordinances the due performance of worship and strict observance of rituals. There

always a needy way-farer coming in
search of Theertha and Prasada; and he
always finds a day's food as Desantri.
In a city like Bangalore, the head-quarters
of the State offices, it is very necessary
that a temple like the Mandiram, should
have more liberal Muzrai aid and coope-
ration. Perhaps, you will concede that it
will be a legitimate charge, if a portion
of the Muzrai budgetted amount or a por-
tion of the accruing interest on Muzrai
endowments, could be generously granted
for the providing of quarters of a
permanent kind to orphans, whose
sheltering, it will be no doubt, be a
pleasing deb to government. More can
not be represented on the Subject. I only
pray, to accord my prayers a liberal and
a generous treatment.

I beg leave to remain,
Sir,
your most obedient Servant,

A. Thatayhariah
Secretary & Founder.

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File No. 319-09
Serial No. 3

Diary No. of letter replied to

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

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Date of issue 12th February 1910

Signed by Mr. C. S. P. Iyer

READ—

letter dated 20th Nov. 1909, from Mr A. Gopalacharlu, Secretary Trustee of Srinivasa Mandiram and connected Charities in B'lr, submitting a Report on their administration during 1908-09.

ORDER THEREON.—No. 2038-40

In the report subd with the letter read above, Mr Charlu prays:—

(1) for an increase of tasdik to the Sri Byataroyaswami Temple;

(2) for the grant of help towards the construction of a building to

over

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accommodate the Mandiram Orphans and towards their maintenance,

4 (3) that jodi may be imposed instead of Kandayem on the lands at Murle in the Yedatore Taluk granted for the benefit of the orphans

2 As regards the first prayer, the Govt observe that they have already raised the tasdik of ~~the land~~ Rs 1-7-3 per mensem by Rs 15 in their Pro: No. 5114-7 dated 3rd May 1906 They are not prepared to sanction any further enhancement

3. Regarding the help prayed for towards the maintenance of the orphans, it is observed that already a sum of Rs 50 has been sanctioned from the State funds and of Rs 20 from the Education Budget and ~~the~~ further 10 acres of land under the Chamaraja Nala in the Yedatore Taluk have been granted benefit of the orphans. These the Govt consider are sufficient, at all events strength of the institution

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of a suitable increase will be considered.

4. In consideration ~~however~~ of the fact that Govt have already ~~sanctioned~~ sanctioned in their Pro: no 463-8 dated 19th Sept: 1905, a sum of Rs 3,000/- for the acquisition of 2 houses and some sites for providing accommodation for the orphans and extending the ~~library~~ library attached to the Mandiram, the Govt would contribute ~~for a~~ as a State Grant half the cost of the construction of the orphanage, subject to a maximum limit of Rs 5,000/-, on condition that Mr. Gopala Charlu collects the other half of the estimated cost and the plans are submitted to Govt for approval and the Charities placed on a legally secure basis by appointment of trustees or constitution of a Committee of management.

Within a reasonable limit of time

5. The question of the conversion of the lands in the Murle village granted to Srinivasa Mandiram into ~~of~~ Jodi inam was twice considered and finally rejected. It can be urged does not ~~require fresh~~

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consideration

31.1.1919

for Secretary

To

Mr. A Gopalacharlu, Srinivasa
Mandvram Charities, Bangalore City.

The Comptroller, Mysore Govt.

" Deputy Commr., Bangalore Dt

ESTABLISHED 1933.

The Srinivasa Mandiram and Charities,

Bangalore, 10th March 1970.

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer, Esqr., B.A., C.S.,
Secretary to Government of Mysore,
General & Revenue Depts., Bangalore

Sir,

In acknowledging with thanks the receipt of Govt. Proceedings No. 2038/40 dated 12th February 1970, conveying to me the orders passed in the matter of the construction of the Orphanage, promissing a State grant of Rs. 5000/-, I beg to express my heart-felt gratitude for the kindness extended to the Institution.

Regarding certain other points raised therein, I request, I may be allowed to reply them somewhat later.

I beg to remain,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

A. Subrahmanyam.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

(Mysore)

NOTES.

File No. 314-09

FILE HEADING.

Petition from Archak Sanjeevaiah appealing against the Mysore Dy. Commr's. order directing that the Archakship of Sri Channakesava Swamy at Besagarahally, Nagamangala Taluk may be registered in the joint names of the petr and another Venkatappa.

From

Archak Sanjeevaiah.

No. Dated 15-11-09 Received

Diary No. 992 | Enclos. - | Spare Copies - | Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Under-Secretary's order:— "Is this in time? Rep. up note."

The Dy Commr's order appealed against is dated 24th July 1909 while the Appeal petition was received on 19th November 1909. The appeal

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seems to be time-barred. may the petr be asked to assign reasons for delay in preferring the appeal?

Submitted for orders

AV
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Section 211 of the Land Revenue Code prescribes 3 months' time for an appeal being preferred to Govt against an order of the D/Commr. This refers to decisions of D/Commrs, passed by them in their capacity as "Revenue Officers". Murasi appeals were being treated as Revenue appeals when they were heard & disposed of by the Council Committee. The appeal in the present case appears time barred.

Let him explain the delay in
4.12.09 file; then appeal.

4/12/09

Issue
AV
8/12/09

AV
8.12.09

Dft. Submits.
AV
8.12.09
AV
8.12.09

2. To, Mr K. R. Seshaiengar, Counsel for the appellants.

Endorsement dy 9-12-09.

Calls upon him to explain

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in filing the appeal.

3 From, the Advocate,
Petition dt 10.12.09.
Assigns reasons therefor and says that the appeal has been filed in time
Submitted for orders. Copy for opposite
10.12.09 recd 5.
14/12/09
Dismissed
11/12/09
Pl
Pl
Dft 5. Submits.
AG
15.12.09
SMS
Dft

4. To, The Dy Commr, Mysore Dist
O. M. No. 1516 dt 17.12.09.
Forwards sls 1 to 3 and calls for reports with records.
To, Mr K. R. Seshaiengar
Informs him of the above.

5. From. the Dy. Commr Mysore Dist
Letter No. 471 Dated
19th April 1910
Submits report with the records connected with the Appeal
The facts of the case are given in the English memo dated 20th march 1910 prepared by the Acting Amildar Mr C.B. Lakshmana Rau.
This is a dispute relating to the Archakship of Sri Chennakesava Swami

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temple at Basagarahalli, Mandya Taluk. One Venkatiah was the Baramanddar Archak and the rival claimants are Venkatappa and Sanjeeviah - the former claiming the office as the adopted son of Venkatiah and the latter, as his natural son. Venkatappa is stated to be the co-brother of Sanjeeviah. It is reported that both have been doing Puje in turns and enjoying the perquisites attached to the office.

Hagp R.W. 2)

The Statements of Venkatappa, Sanjeeviah, Venkatamma have been filed as also the Mahazar drawn up by the Villagers.

Flag X)

Venkatappa states that he had been adopted by the late Venkatiah some 2 or 3 years before Sanjeeviah was born. The Villagers support him and add that the obsequies of the deceased were performed by Venkatappa. Sanjeeviah and his mother deny the adoption and state that after Sanjeeviah was born, Venkatappa having none to take care of him, came under their protection and had been allowed to attend to P during Sanjeeviah's minority

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To enjoy the Inam lands.

The adoption is said to have taken place some 40 or 50 years ago and no papers in its support are now forthcoming. It is also stated that all these were living together, but on account of some dispute, are now living separately. The Villagers also say that Venkatiah during his life-time took Venkatappa to Taluk Cutcherry and caused the barawand made out in his name. No documents are forthcoming in the Taluk office in support of ~~this~~ this allegation.

Hag (2) The former Amildar's detailed report no 140 of 22nd June 1909 assigns reasons for considering that ~~Venkatiah~~ Venkatappa might have been adopted. In the

Hag (2) barawand Dakas subsequent to 1884-5, Venkatappa is mentioned as the Pujari.

(Vide copy in the P file) Hag (2) The lease-deed of the year 1893 in the matter of the Inam lands of Belakere Hanumantha Devara temple (the late Venkatiah was holding the Archakship of this temple also) was executed in joint names of Archak Venkatappa Sanjeeviah.

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Para 9

In a Deed of the year 1886 hypothecating some dry lands for Rs 20/-, it is mentioned that the late Arcot Venkataraya's sons are Venkatiah and Sanjeeviah.

Para 10)

The Amildar reports that from the records the adoption has been proved & that it is but just that Baramahal should be made out in the name of Sanjeeviah, but considering the fact that for the past 25 years, the adopted son Venkatappa has been attending to the duties in annual Turns and receiving the Padikara amounts, the office may be registered in the joint names of Sanjeeviah and Venkatappa.

The Sub Divl officer and the Dy. Commr have ordered that the Baramahal should be made out in the joint names of the rival claimants.

Para 11)

Against the foregoing order, Sanjeeviah has appealed to Govt.

The grounds for appeal are:—

1. the adoption has not been by documentary evidence and been denied by the mothers of

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adoptee.

2. The apportionment of the office equally between the appellant and his opponent is opposed to the mitakshara School of Hindu law.

3. The decision is opposed to law and probabilities of the case.

4. The office being hereditary, it should not be apportioned equally — a practice condemned by Govt and more so, when the petr is fully qualified for the post

Submitted for orders. Petn 28th inst with Mr Atkinson's & print time start Mr 10th inst. SD 27/4/1910

AV 26.4.10 HL

AV

Submtd with Govt. notice Issue SD 8/7/1910

AV 3.5.10 RL 3/5/10

Issue notice to advocate also & return file time SD 12/5/1910

Draft on Mr Seshagiri adv: for the appellant is put up. Info: abt adv: for respondent does not seem to be available from the Records. Issue SD 12/5/1910

RL 12/5/10

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Aplt Sanjeeviah and Respt Venkadappa absent. Mr B Ramanna, Advocate for respt present.
Case adjd to the 15th Septr next.
By order,
29/7/1910
29.7.1910

Submitted with Dft notices. Issue
29/7/1910

I shall see the records. It is necessary to make some
whether or not Venkatappa, the father of the claimants
presented a petn about 1882 & to enforcement of Venkatappa
claimant
Issue the deft notice. Records are not called before
on the petn see telegram
31.7.1910

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~~14~~ 9. 1910

Mr Ramanna for respt. Mr Seshagiriyar
for appellant absent; and I shall not proceed
on adjd.
Adjd to 25.11.1910
By order
15 ~~14~~/9/1910

Dft notice has been duly served on the respt by
taq-fdar & the process fee paid to Dy Registrar,
Mys. Proceedings in execution of the adjd
date of hearing already
Issue
17/9/1910

Submitted
17.9.1910

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6 To, The Dy Commr, Mysore Dist
Docket no 409 D 5-8-1910
Requests to be furnished with further inform already called for
7 From — Do — No 129 D 14.9.1910
8 States that it will be submitted shortly
From, The Dy Commr, Mysore Dist
Letter no 226 D, 9.11.10
Submits further report
The Dy Commr reports that the Registers relating to the late maddur Tq are available up to 1878-9 and the subsequent Registers are not forthcoming and adds that the petition refd to has not been registered in the petition registers for 1881-2 and 1882-3 of the maddur Tq
Submitted
16.11.10

Boys for order of hearing
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16/11/1910

Messrs Seshaiengar & Raman-na heard

Order

It is hardly correct to regard the right of Pujari office of a Pujari as heritable property in the ordinary sense

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But as the adopted son has been long in joint enjoyment, it may be hard to deprive him of it at once ~~me~~ by ~~c~~ order giving the office to each in alternate years will therefore not be interfered with. But as the natural born son's ~~right~~ ~~shall~~ may fairly be considered as superior, the tenure of Venkatappa will determine at ~~his~~ his death & will not be allowed to pass to his children. The appellant or ~~his~~ one of his descendants will become the sole Pujari.

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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	Printed draft acc'd Sd 16/12/910
	Submitted with a draft MM (62) 1.12.10 Printed fair draft Sd 1/12/910
	Submitted with a fair draft. MM 2.12.10 Issue Sd 1/12/910
9	To, the Dy. Commr, Mysore Dist G.O. no 1578 Dy 7-12-1910 Passes orders on the Archakship of Sri Channakesavaswamy Temple at Besagarahalli, Nandya Taluk.
	To, messrs. K Srikantiyer and Ramanna, no. 1579-20 Dy 7.12.1910. Forwards copies of the order.
10.	From, Archak & the Private Secretary to H H the Maharaja. D.M. no 2568 Dy 23d March 1911. Prays for a review of the above orders. The memorialist states that in consideration of the fact that he was the adopted son of the original Karnavard and that he was attending to the duties for a number of years past,

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it is opposed to Hindu Law and Shastra to deprive his heirs of the -ment and adds that as Govt have observed that the post cannot be split up into, as he has been doing the duties and enjoying the perquisites for more than 12 years and as his opponent is the aplt in the case, it is but just that the aplts hak should be rejected. He prays that the memorial -ist and his heirs may be confirmed in the post.

Submitted for orders to Secretariat with.

AM 13/7/09 13/6 This is an application for the review of an order already passed. There does not appear to be any reason for modifying the order - even if all that the petr says should be correct as his Stand be entitled to succeed him the question can only arise after his death; and there can be no necessity for modifying the order now.

If approved the petn should be rejected

Abdul Rahman-ayer

Hebbert

I see no grounds for alter-ing the order. The Petn may-

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	Rejected. Hon 22/6/11 Dewan Submitted to Dewan Ambabhoy 22/6/11
12218 25.6.11	1 Is this a Council Committed Case? 2 Any how let it go to the Commissioner for the favour his opinion — 3 The natural born son seems to have been born 9 years after the alleged adoption of the Plaintiff Hon 29/June Submitted to Hon Commissioner Ambabhoy 1/7/11
5	The Amildar, the Sub Dy Officer & the Deputy Commr have held that Venkatappa is the adopted son of the L

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Pupari Venkatesh. The Government have also accepted this view and Venkatappa is referred to in the G.O as "adopted son" The Office of Pupari & the perquisites attached thereto are being enjoyed by both Venkatappa and Sanjiviah by turns. The Baravand was accordingly made out in the joint names of both the men This appears to me to be the correct order as the claims of both sons have received due recognition.

Having recognized Venkatappa as the adopted son, I do not see how we can determine his hak after his death. The hak must pass on to his sons if any.

The strictly legal view would be to make the eldest son. i.e Venkatappa, the Baravardar. But I can see no great objection to the Compromise by which

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each of the two sons gets a turn of pujaiship

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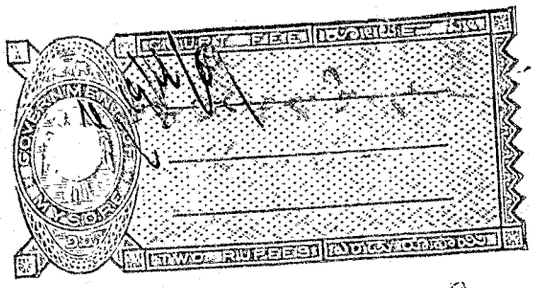

AV
19.11.09 D-o
by

D 992
31-12-09

The Secretary to the Government
of H-H. the Maharaja of Mysore.
at Bangalore.

Petitioner	Opponent
Archika Sanjeevia son of Venkatappa residing in Besagara-hally, Koppa Hobly Mandya Taluq.	Venkatappa residing in Gudegunahally Mandya Taluq

The petitioner begs to appeal to the Honorable Government of His Highness against the order No 142 dated 24/26-7-09 passed in the Manzerai side by the deputy commissioner Mysore District for the following amongst other reasons viz:—

1. Because the learned judge erred in believing the adoption when the same has been denied by the mother of the adoptee and when the same has not been proved by other documentary evidence.

2. The learned judge erred in law in apportioning the office equally between the petitioner and the opponent when the Mitthakshara school of Hindu Law which is held to apply to this province by the full bench of the Honorable chief court in re Narsappa's case gives opponent only 1/5th share in the office. (Mad H.C P 45 & 17 Bom P 100)

3. The office being hereditary the learned judge erred in apportioning the office equally

equally a practice condemned by Government in several cases and more so when petitioner is fully qualified for the post.

4. The decision is otherwise opposed to law and probabilities of the case

The petitioner prays that the order of the Deputy commissioner be set aside and the Registry of the priesthood of the temple be made out in the sole name of the petitioner.

Bangalore
15-11-09

K.R.
Seshagiri Iyengar Advocate.

No. 1436 dt 9.12.09

M.7. 314-09-2

In reply to his -

Appeal petition regd. no 992 dated 15th November 1909 presented on behalf of Archak Sanjeevaiah re the Archakship of Sri Channa-Kesava Devaru temple at Besagarahalli, Manoya Taluk, Mr. K. R. Seshachagar, Counsel for the Appellant is informed that ~~his client should explain~~ the delay in filing the appeal should be explained.

By order,
Dbt) [illegible]
for Secretary.

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Refer
continue note as
10/12/09 D 1099
Mysore 314-09-3

To

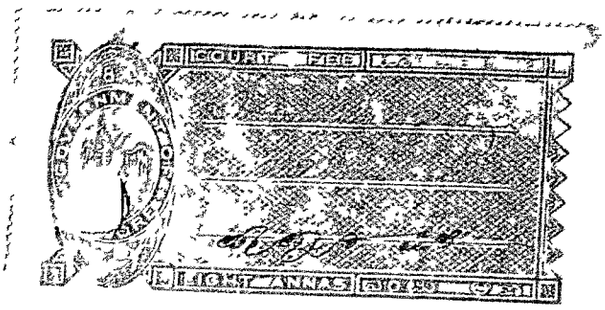
The Secretary to the Government of Mysore
General + Revenue Departments,
(Muzrai)

Sir

With reference to your no 1436/M.7.314-09-2 dated 9th December 1909. I beg to submit that there has been no delay in as much as the order of the Deputy Commissioner Mysore District was not delivered in the appellants presence nor was it communicated to the appellant but on the other hand the order was sent to the Amildar Mandya Taluk who in turn communicated to us the drift of the order in an Order of Notice dated 23rd September 1909 hereunto appended for further information and explanation for the delay. The order reached us about the 29th of September and we have filed the appeal after obtaining the copies ~~for it~~ on the 18th of November though the appellant had forty days more to his credit. If the time for obtaining the copies be deducted the appeal has been filed within forty days. and the Statutory period being ninety days.

Bangalore
10-12-09

Yours obedly
K. R. Seshagiri Iyengar
Advocate.



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GOVT. OF H. H. THE MAHARAJA
OF MYSORE.

MUZRAI DEPARTMENT.

OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM.

No.

The accompanying Appeal Petitions Nos D 1099 D 992, dated 19th Nov and 10th Dec 1909 received at this office from Archak Sanjeevaiah appealing against the Dy Comm's. order directing that the Archak of Sri Channakesavaswamy temple at Beragarahally, Mandya Tk, be registered in the joint names of the petr and another Venkatappa, is forwarded, together with its ~~four~~ one enclosures, to the Deputy Commissioner of the Mysore District for submission of the entire records connected with the case together with a detailed report thereon.

By Order,

for Secretary,
~~Muzrai Department.~~

BANGALORE,
17-12-1909

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In reply to his petition

regd: no. D. ~~992~~ 1099 dated 16th Decr 1909 assigning reasons for delay in filing the appeal re the Archakship of Belagera halli Channa Kesava Devaru

No. 1517 9/17/12/09

M. 7. 314-09-4

Mr K. R. Seshaiengar, Coungl for the Appellant is informed that the Dy. Commr of the Mysore Distt has been asked to submit a report together with the records connected with the case. In his future communications on this subject, the No of this Endt: 7(4) should be quoted.

By order
15/12/09
for Secretary

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21/4 Mysr 314-09-5. 1909-10

From M. Kantaraj Urs Esq: B.A
Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

To C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esq: B.A
Offg: Secretary to the Govt of Mysore
Genl and Rev: Departts, Museum Branch

Dated

Despatched 19th April 1910.

Received

General No. 471
No.

Enclosure No 1 file

Submits herewith the entire records in connection with the appeal petitions from Sanjeeviah in the matter of the Archakaship of the Sri Channakesava Swami temple at Besagarahalli in the Nandya Taluk.

Refer
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No. 471
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OFFICE OF THE Deputy Commissioner
MYSORE DISTRICT,
Dated Mysore Camp 19th April 1910.

To
C. S. Balasundaram Pyr Esq., B.A.
offg. SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT
OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,
GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.
Inam Branch

Sir,

Adverting to your official memorandum No. 1516 / Inm. F. 314-09-4 dated 17th December 1909 forwarding for report appeal petitions No. D 992, D 1099 dated 19th November and 10th December 1909 (herewith re-transmitted) from Sanjeeviah in the matter of the Archakship of the Sri Chennakesava Swami temple at Besagarahalli in the Nandya Taluk, I have the honor to submit herewith the entire records ending with yadast No. 266 / 788 dated 31st

31st March 1910 connected with the case together with an English memo (filed with the records) shewing the facts of the case.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

A Jayaswal

Deputy Commissioner

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File No. 3409
Serial No. 6

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To
The Dy Commr
Mysore District

Date of issue 5-8-1910

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Signed by Mr A Subramanya Iyer

Vide Madras dt 24-7-1908 Paper No-4
& Venkatappa's petition dt 16.6.1909
Paper No. 26.

forwarded, the records about the assd. strip of the Sri Channakesavaswami Temple at Bengarchalli in the Malavalli Taluk

Has the honor to represent that the petition alleged to have been presented by Andale Venkatappa in 1882 or 83 to the Maharaja or Mysore Taluk Cutcherry may be looked for and sent to this office if found. In the absence of the original petition an extract from the petition Register may be forwarded

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SUBJECT.

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Returned for reference and remembrance
before the 5th September & the case to
be heard on the 15th inst

By order

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List of enclosures,

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From
Rao K Rajaji Rao
Finance
Mysore Dio

To
C. S. Balasundram Iyer Esq B.A.
Secy: to Govt Mysore
Branch

Dated 14th Septr 1910.

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General No. 129
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Enclosure No. 16 files

Returning the records re Archak-ship of the Sri-nakesava Swami temple at Belavangadi in the Kadaba Taluk.

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OFFICE OF THE Deputy Commr

MYSORE DISTRICT,
Dated Mysore Camp 14th Septr 1910.

To
C. S. Balasundram Iyer Esq., B.A.
Offg SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT
OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,
GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.
Inam Branch

Sir,

Adverting to your telegram dated the 14th instant, I have the honor to retransmit the records relating to the Archakship of the Sri Chenna Kesava Swami temple at Besaragally in the Nandya Talk received with your docket No. 409/314-09-6 dated 5.8.10 and to state that the petition or the extract from the petition register referred to which has been called for from the Talk will be submitted to you on receipt.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient Servant

H. Jamadagni Rao
Dy Deputy Commr
Mysore District
B.A.

Jul No. / D 875

1910 Mis. 324-09-8.

From

M Kantaraj urs Esqr: B.A
Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

To

C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esqr: B.A
Offg: Secy: to the Govt:
Mysore Branch

Dated

Despatched 9th November 1910

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General No. 226
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Enclosure No 14.

Retransmit herewith the records relating to Pujarishipp of the Sri Channakesava Devaru Temple at Basavarahalli in Mandya Taluk.

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OFFICE OF THE Deputy Commissioner
MYSORE DISTRICT,
Dated Mysore Camp November 1910.

To
C. S. Balasundaram Iyer Esq., B. A
Offg. SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT
OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE,
GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.
Muzrai Branch

Sir,

In reply to your docket No. 409/314-09-6 dated 5th August 1910 and subsequent communications ending with your docket No. 848/314-09 dated 5th October 1910 calling for the petition alleged to have been presented by Archak Venkatappa in 1882 or so to the Nanjangud or Maddur Taluk Cutcherry &c, I have the honor to submit herewith the Amildar's report No. 47/229 dated 29th October 1910 stating that the registers relating to the late Maddur

Taluk

Taluk are available upto 1878-79 and that the subsequent registers are not forth-coming in the Taluk office adding that Venkata-ppa's petition has not been registered in the petition registers for 1881-82 and 1882-83 of the mandya Taluk.

2. The records relating to the Pujari-ship of the Sri Chennakesava Devaru temple at Basagarahalli in the mandya Taluk received with your docket No. 848/314-09 dated 5th October 1910 are herewith retransmitted.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

your most obedient servant

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for Deputy Commissioner

Ba. Mysore District

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Before the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

Appeal No. — of 1900-11

Appellant.	Vs.	Respondent.
Sanjeeviah,		Venkatappa

SUBJECT.

Archakship of the Sri Channa Kesavaswamy Temple at Besagarahally in the Mandya Taluk.

Facts of the Case

One Venkatiah was the hereditary Archak of Sri Channakesavaswamy Temple at Besagarahally, Mandya Taluk Appellant Sanjeeviah is the natural-born son of this Venkatiah and Respt. Venkatappa claims to be an adopted son of the said

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individual. On Sanjeeviah praying to be appointed sole hakdar, the Dy. Commr, in view of the facts that both the parties were in enjoyment of the Hak by performing puja in alternate years and that Venkatappa's claim to be the adopted son of Venkatiah was supported by the Villagers, directed the continuance of the rotation.

Sanjeeviah has now appealed to Govt. and urges that respdt is not an adopted son of appellant's father Venkatiah and that even if it should be held that he is an adopted son, he can only have the right of worshipping once in four years and not in alternate years. The parties and their Advocates were heard by Govt on 25th November 1910.

Order

It is hardly correct to regard the office of a Pujari as heritable or in the ordinary sense.

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But as the adopted son has been long in joint enjoyment, Govt would think it hard to deprive him of it at once. The Dy. Commrs. order giving the office to each in alternate years will therefore not be interfered with. But as the natural born son's right may fairly be considered as superior, the tenure of appt Venkatappa will determine at his death and will not be allowed to pass to his children. The appellant or one of his descendants will then become the sole Pujari

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No 1518 Encl file dy
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7-12-1910.

Copy of the above is forwarded to the Dy. Commr, Mysore Distt, with reference to his letter no. 129 dy 14th septr 1910.

By order
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for Secy. Govt.

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No 15-19-20 Dt 7-12-1910

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Copies to Mr K. Seshaiengar, Advocate for the aplt Sanjeevaiah vide ref to his appeal petition regd no. 992 Dt 15-11-1909 and to Mr Ramanna, Advocate for the respt.

Dt) K.O.G. 21/12/1910

2-9-09 Secretary

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Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, Muzrai, dated 7th December 1910

BEFORE THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

Appeal No of 1910-11

Appellant	*Vs*	Respondent
Sanjeeviah		Venkatappa

Subject

Archakship of the Sri Channakesavaswami temple at Besagarahalli in the Mandya Taluk

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Facts of the case.

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No 1518—Muz 314-09-9, dated Bangalore, 7th December 1910

Copy of the above is forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District, with the records received with his letter No 129, dated 14th September 1910

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for Offg Secy to Govt, Gen & Rev Depts

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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

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PROCEEDINGS

Dated 7th December 1910

No. 1518
Muz. 311-08-9

Passing orders on the archakship of the Sri Channakesavaswami temple at Besagarahalli in the Mandya Taluk.

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OFFICE OF THE PRIVATE SECRETARY
TO HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

Mysore, 23rd March 1911

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Mug. 7. 314-09-10

Petition as shown below, to His Highness the Maharaja, is transferred to the Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, General and Revenue Department (Br: VII), Bangalore, for disposal.

No 1240 of 10-11

By Order,

I.C.S.,
Private Secretary
to H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

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G. C. O. No. 1532/Mun. 314 dated 30

Before the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

Appeal No. of 1910-11.

Appellant.	Vs.	Respondent.
Sanjeeviah		Venkatappa.

Subject.

Archakship of the Sri Channakesavaswamy temple at Besagarahally in the Mandya Taluk.

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No. 1578 Enclt 7-12-1910
Mysa F.314-09-9

Copy of the above is forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner Mysore District, with the records received with his letter No. 129 dated 14th September 1910.

By order,

Sd. C.S. Balakrishnaiah
~~For~~ Offg. Secretary to Govt.

M.N. No. 1579-20
Mysa F 314-09-9

Copy of the above is forwarded to Mr. Ramanna, advocate for the Respondent.

Attendance

For Rec'r & Asst
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